

***It Takes More Than a Band-Aid:***  
**Supporting Missouri's Children Following a Disaster or Crisis**

Monday, July 26, 2010

1:00-4:30 p.m.

Governor's Office Building, Room 450

200 Madison Street

Jefferson City, Missouri

**There is no fee for this training, but registration is required. Space is limited.**

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**Target Audience:** School administrators, board members, counselors, nurses, psychologists, social workers, and teachers; community partners who support schools and school children including public health, community mental health, juvenile justice, child welfare and others interested in assuring children's needs are addressed in emergency planning.

**The Community Issue:** Schools and communities can face a number of different crises that may have a profound impact on children and families. Schools - as a focal point for communities, children and families - can play a pivotal role in preparing for and implementing a response to a crisis, whether it is the death of a student or member of the school staff, such as after an unexpected or violent death, suicide or a natural disaster. To be effective, a planned, timely, coordinated response is necessary in addressing the emotional and physical trauma children and families may face. This coordinated response requires a community effort.

**Learning Objectives:**

- 1) Understand the short and long-term impacts of grief and bereavement on children and ways to support students and school staff after a disaster or other crisis.
- 2) Understand the community's role in supporting a coordinated response system for children following a disaster or other crisis.
- 3) Develop awareness of current resources and gaps in Missouri's coordinated response system.

**Speaker:** Dr. David Schonfeld, FAAP, is a developmental-behavioral pediatrician, Director of the Division of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics, and Director of the National Center for School Crisis and Bereavement at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center. For over two decades, he has provided consultation and training on school crisis and pediatric bereavement in the aftermath of a number of school crises (e.g., school shootings) and disasters within the United States and abroad, including flooding from Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans, Hurricane Ike in Galveston and the 2008 earthquake in Sichuan, China. He also coordinated the training of school crisis teams for New York City Public Schools after 9/11. Dr. Schonfeld is a member of the National Commission on Children and Disasters.

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